COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF OWEN ELECTRIC)	
COOPERATIVE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)	CASE NO
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)	2000-538
FOR A 2001-2002 WORK PLAN	j	

<u>ORDER</u>

Owen Electric Cooperative ("Owen") filed its application on January 10, 2001, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct certain improvements and additions to its existing plant at an estimated cost of \$15,243,518. In support of its application Owen filed its 2001-2002 Work Plan which describes in detail the improvements and additions to its plant that are required over the next 2 years to serve its load.

Owen seeks authorization to construct extensions and additions to its plant as follows:

1.	New Distribution Lines	\$ 5,783,400
2.	Line Conversion & Replacement	5,692,798
3.	Meters and Transformers	2,343,200
4.	Increase Service Capacity	153,120
5.	Pole Replacements	675,000
6.	Fault Indicators for Troubleshooting	23,000
7.	Security Lights	533,000
8.	Computer Equipment	<u>40,000</u>
	TOTAL	\$15,243,518

The proposed construction will enable Owen to continue to provide adequate and

dependable electric service to its customers. The system improvements recommended

in this Work Plan will not duplicate existing facilities and are needed to correct voltage

problems, improve phase balance, and provide for improved service reliability. Owen

stated in the application that the proposed extensions and additions would be funded

internally from normal operations.

Based on the application and supporting 2001-2002 Work Plan, and being

advised, the Commission finds that the proposed improvements and additions to be

constructed by Owen are necessary to provide adequate, reliable electric service to

existing customers and anticipated new customers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Owen is granted a Certificate of Public

Convenience and Necessity to construct the facilities described in its 2001-2002 Work

Plan.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 11th day of May, 2001.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director